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# Newsletter – JULY 2020

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#### **President's Report**



Den Starsheen "Botanic Fireworks" x Rockstar Margaret

This time last year we were gearing up for our Winter Show, however, this year we are just hoping to have a July meeting. Our meeting in **July**, which we are hopeful about, will be a lovely get together, with benching of our orchids and ferns/foliage. There will be no speaker but there will be a general discussion on how we are going with our orchids. © There will be more about our meeting in this newsletter.

Well done to those who sent into Margaret, photos of their orchids for this newsletter. They are lovely.

Hopefully this time next year we will be grooming our orchids for the 2021 Winter Show. Mind you we are still hopeful that our other shows will go ahead.

Keep an eye out for problems in your orchid house, the low temperatures we are having, can cause cell damage, weakening the plants, leaving them open to insect and fungal problems.

I wish everyone who is unwell a speedy recovery and a warm place to keep out of our current cold weather.

We are looking forward to seeing members at our July meeting - see you there.

Best wishes

Anne-Marie Collins



Brs Mem Fritz Boedeker "Witch Doctor" Tony & Liz

#### Other items:-

 1. 1.25L bottle bases. An early reminder to members to start saving these bases that are used for posy making for the Winter and Spring Shows. Margaret or Leanda will collect these at each meeting if members wish to bring them in. If you have saved any, please bring them in as we will be collecting them for hopefully a Spring Show.

## **Our Next Meeting –**

There will be a meeting in July. However, at time of writing, the limit for groups is 20. With that in mind, could you please let me know if you intend coming? However, this may change prior to the meeting as the Soldiers club will have clarification by then. It is a day time meeting. Benching from 1pm, meeting at 2pm and finished by 4pm is the plan we hope. I was also reminded that there are no bookings for meals. so it is first in best dressed if anyone wishes to have lunch first. We are still hoping for a Spring show but that will depend on how long the health experts keep the social distancing rules in place. At the moment, the Soldiers Club is saying that the auditorium will remain set up as a lounge area until mid-2021.

#### **From the Committee**

 The Committee have not met during this time, although we had a discussion relating to recommencement of our face to face meetings. The committee were in favour of the recommencement.

#### **Club Members**

The BBOFS wishes any Member who may be unwell all the best for a speedy recovery. Please stay safe during this period.

#### **In Your Orchid House**

Plants should be protected by now; however you choose to do that. This helps manage the water they receive as well as being protected from the cold and frost.

Of course we have the usual issues of bugs to content with, so keep your eyes open and remember to brave the cold and go out at night with a torch to find the ones that hide during the day. Bugs can be found on the bulbs as well as the leaves, so remember to check both if you have a plant that is not looking all that healthy.

I am sure there are spikes appearing on various genre including cymbidiums. If this was a normal year we would be preparing our plants for the winter show.

Watering remains the challenge during the colder months. Grouping like plants together helps reduce the risk of over watering plants that are more or less dormant or in a resting phase from growth and spike production. Also having a spray bottle on hand make watering easier in some cases as using a hose is not always the best for all plants. The amount of water will depend on the plant, but remember to check what it looks like to ensure it is not drying out. Mr Google is a helpful source if in doubt.

#### Wish List and For Sale for members

If any member is seeking a particular plant, would you like to see it listed then others may be able to assist you obtain one.

This could also be used to place plants that you would like to give away or sell.

#### Wanted

Anne-Marie is looking for: Stanhopea Alba; Psychopsis; Ming & Foxtail ferns. These are to be used for floral art.

#### For Sale



This Canon PIXMA model 2560 has been donated to the club by Peter Cordina from APIA. It is free to a good home. Has cartridges in but unsure how long they will last. Will print anything on A4 including photos. Please contact Ken on the number at top of newsletter if you are interested.

Margaret has a couple of hundred 50 and 60mm square and round pots to get rid of. Happy to give them away or for a small donation - all of them or in smaller groups. Please contact Margaret on the number at the top of the newsletter if interested in some or all of them.

#### <u>Dates for your 2020 Diary</u> August

7- 9 Orchid Extravaganza Dural

14 -16 SCOC Winter Show Twyford Hall, Merimbula

22 - 23 E.O.C. Spring Show Narooma

#### September

5 - 6 BBOFS Spring Show Soldiers Club Batemans Bay

12 – 13 MUOS Spring Show Ulladulla

17 - 18 SCOC Spring Show September Civic Centre Bega

19 – 20 Canberra orchid society annual show Ainslie Football Club

#### **October**

9 – 11 Southern Orchid Spectacular Sutherland

17 - 18 BBOFS Native Show Soldiers Club Batemans Bay

30 - 31 SCOC Native Show Twyford Hall, Merimbula

#### **Benching**

As we did not have a meeting, I asked members to forward me photos of the plants they would have benched. I have received a few so thank you to those members.

#### From Lin



**Onc Ornithorhynchus** 



**Cymbid Moritta Ginger Bread** 



**Cymbib Unknown** 

# From Una



Cym Death Wish Speceled Spectre x DIV Tigers Tail.



# Mini cymbidium

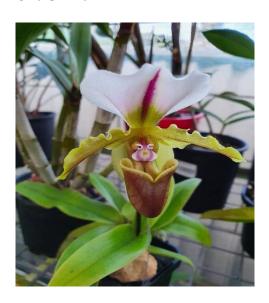
# From Margaret



Onc Unknown



Onc Unknown



Phaph spicerianum "M4" x Phaph spicerianum "M3"

# Liz & Tony's plants



Onc sotoanum "Bunches



Doc. Tweetas "Red Lips" AM/AOC



Rlc Village Chief North "Green Genius"



Laelia anceps var lineata "Elaner" (Peloric)



Cym (Rosemary Goode x Pywacket) x Death Wish Royale

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